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THE REAL DRAMA BEGINS IN...

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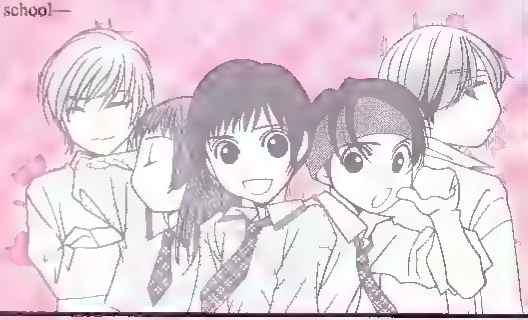
Mimori Kosaka's dream comes true when she's accepted to the Meidai Attached High School and gets to wear their super fashionable uniform! She's excited about having a fun freshman year, but things don't turn out as effortlessly as she had hoped.

The school year starts off well when Mimori befriends the beautiful Nana, but things quickly turn sour for her when she is chosen to be the class representative. Through a series of unfortunate events, she finds herself the focus of attention of three boys and her teachers for all the wrong reasons! Mimori is reunited with Atsushi, a boy she knew in elementary school—and it turns out he despises her for allegedly bullying him in their grade school days. In fact, he plans to exact a little revenge!



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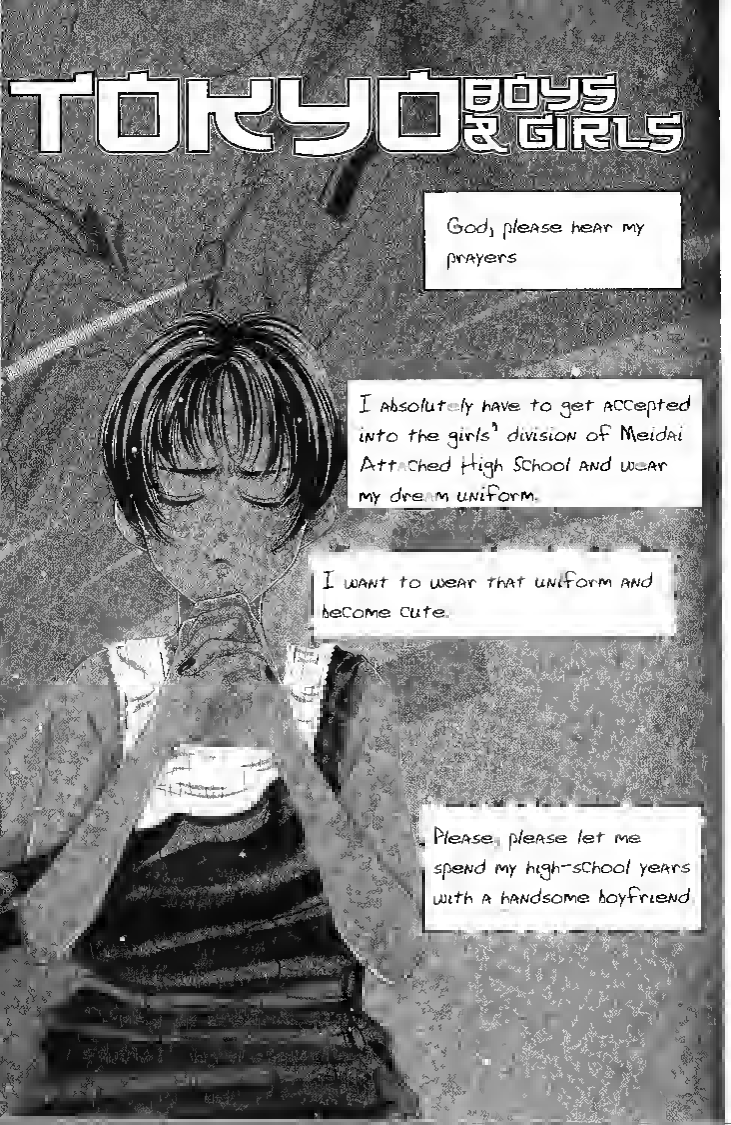
God, please hear my prayers
I absolutely have to get accepted into the girls' division of Meidai Attached High School and wear my dream uniform.
I want to wear that uniform and become cute.
Please, please let me spend my high-school years with a handsome boyfriend

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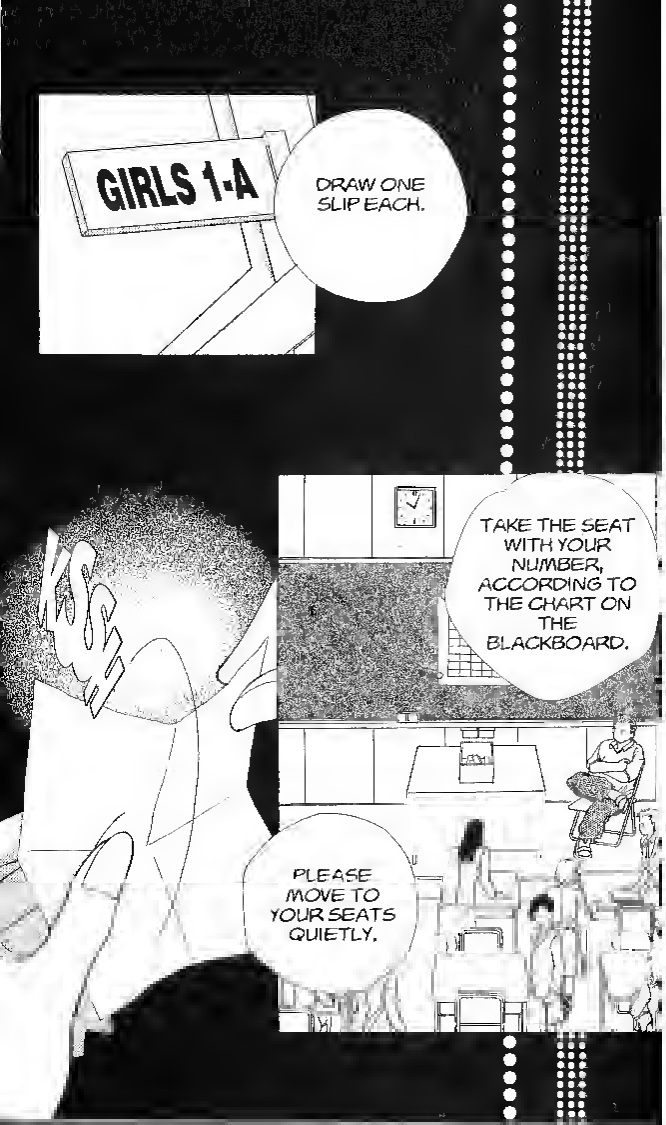
GIRLS 1-A
DRAW ONE SLIP EACH.
TAKE THE SEAT WITH YOUR NUMBER, ACCORDING TO THE CHART ON THE BLACKBOARD.
PLEASE MOVE TO YOUR SEATS QUIETLY.

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HEY, LOOK, THAT NEW LIPSTICK FROM RECENTE
But just getting in...
makes me happy enough
DO MY BANGS LOOK OKAY?
SHP
SHP
FROM THE WINDOW, YOU CAN SEE EVERYTHING OVER ON THE BOYS' SIDE...
THEY CAN SEE US, TOO, CAN'T THEY?

YES! A WINDOW SEAT!
GEEZ, YOU'RE LUCKY, KOSAKA
The only downside to Meidai Attached High School is...
the boys and girls are in separate buildings, north and south
YOU SCORED A GOOD SEAT.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? SHE HAS BAD EYES!
I'M SORRY, BUT MY EYES ARE...
NO! RETURN TO YOUR SEAT!
WAIT A MINUTE!
WOW, YOU BEAT THE TEACHER. THANK YOU.
I'M NANA TAKAICHI.
PLEASED TO MEET YOU
REALLY, YOU'RE IMPOSSIBLE...
THEN SHE CAN MOVE TO THE FRONT ROW
MY EYES ARE 20/30. I NEED TO SIT--
THAT'S BESIDE THE POINT!
WE'RE JUST MOVING ONE ROW!

PLEASE?
CHANGE SEATS WITH ME. I'M IN THE LAST ROW.
MY EYES ARE BAD
Wow
She's pretty
YIKES
HEY! YOU OVER THERE!
DON'T CHANGE SEATS ON YOUR OWN.
Yeesh, she's intense
UM, SURE
THANK YOU
I'm such a pushover

YOU WANT TO SEE, TOO, KAZUKITA?
WHO? WHO? LEMME SEE!
HURRY UP! MY TURN!
WHERE?
LET ME! I'M NEXT!
SHE'S PROBABLY JUST ANOTHER PRETTY FACE.
YOU'RE SO SHALLOW.
GIRLS I-A, RIGHT ACROSS THE WAY. THERE'S ONE WHO'S JUST MY TYPE ♡
SO? WHAT'S WRONG WITH SHALLOW?
OH, YEAH. HERE
This year...
...I'm lucky.
KOSAKA MIMORI, AT YOUR SERVICE.
Looks like...
...I'll have friends.
THAT'S MY TYPE.
MMM. CHECK OUT THE ONE WITH THE LONG HAIR. ♡

OH, WOW! THAT WAS FAST!
OKAY, COOL. I'LL TEST IT TONIGHT.
I THINK IT SHOULD TAKE ABOUT A MONTH TO COMPLETE.

THIS IS THE ONLY COPY OF THE BETA VERSION OF OUR GAME

LIKE WINNING THE MILLION-YEN LOTTERY.
SMOOCH
THAT'S OKAY. THERE'S STILL A MONTH BEFORE THE COMPETITION.

GIRLS I A
?
HAVE YOU TRIED IT, KAZUKITA? MY MAC AND I SPECIALIZE IN DEVELOPMENT.
NEVER MIND THAT.
SHOW ME.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? THE ONE BY THE WINDOW, WITH LONG HAIR.
...
I SEE ONE WHO LOOKS LIKE A BABY MONKEY.
SHE'S YELLING... I THINK...

WELL? IF THERE ARE NO OTHER CANDIDATES, SHOULD WE MAKE KOSAKA OUR REP?
YES!
I LIKED THE POWER YOU SHOWED JUST NOW.
I CAN DEPEND ON YOU, KOSAKA.
ALL RIGHT, THEN. STOP BY THE FACULTY ROOM DURING LUNCH.
AH
ME? CLASS REP?

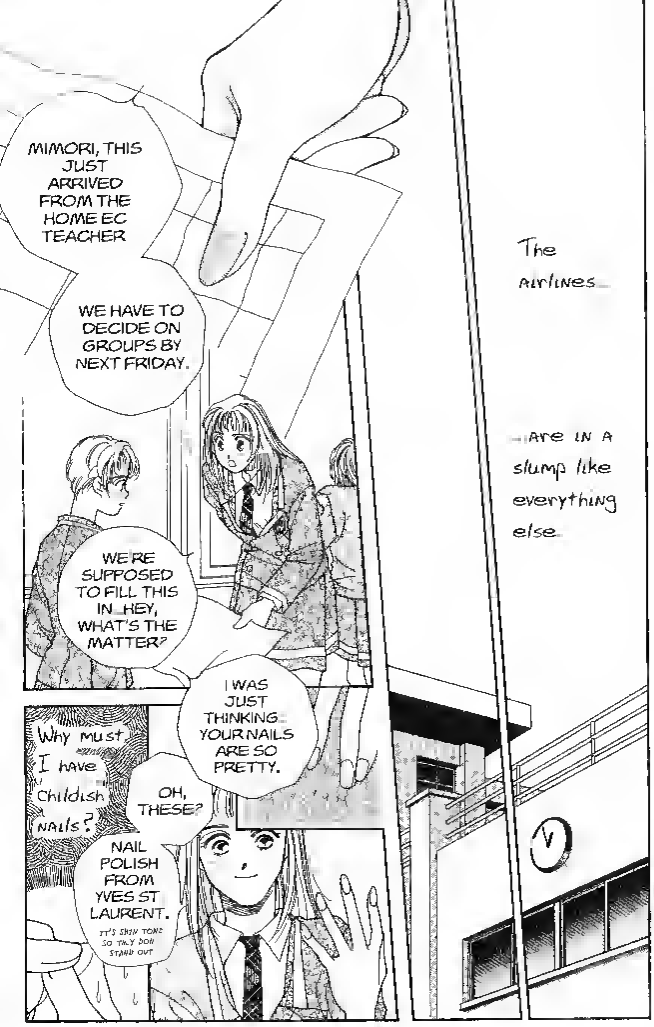
SHF
That's right
The Teachers' Offices are the same for boys and girls
Lucky ♡
ISN'T SHE? WHAT YEAR IS SHE?
SO CUTE.
Shh
THAT'S THE ONE... WITH THE LONG HAIR. TRULY RADIANT.
Huh?
BUMP
SHE'S CUTE.
OH, I'M SORRY...
HEY, WAIT, HARUTA!
OH.
YEAH.
IS MR. SHIROISHI IN?

I HAD TO BE CLASS REP FOR 3 YEARS...
RIGHT THROUGH MIDDLE SCHOOL
THE CLASS REP IS JUST A GOFER.
You don't look like the type
who worries about Colleges
I WAS HOPING IT WOULDN'T HAPPEN IN HIGH SCHOOL.
LIFE SHOULD BE EASY...
FACULTY ROOM
BUT YOU SHOULD DO IT IN HIGH SCHOOL.
IT GOES ON YOUR PERMANENT RECORD, SO IT'LL BE EASIER TO GET INTO A GOOD COLLEGE
DARN, I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO BE LUCKY THIS YEAR.
EXCUSE ME.

FACULT
RRP!
GLARE
DON'T LOOK AT ME!
KOSAKA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? HURRY UP!
OH! RIGHT!
OH, ISN'T HE THE ONE THEY WERE ALL TALKING ABOUT AT THE ENTRANCE CEREMONY?
WHEW, THAT WAS SCARY! DID YOU SEE HIM? THAT GUY WITH BLEACHED HAIR?
Or rather...
...very bleached.
YEAH, YEAH.
HOW RUDE! SAY, "YES!"
B...
Blonde...
FIX THAT HAIR, ALREADY.
NEXT TIME, I'M CALLING YOUR PARENTS IN.

TOKYO BABYLON
I'M HOME—WOW!
WHAT'S ALL THIS?
WELCOME HOME, MIMORI!
LOOK AT THIS SCARF.
IT'S THE LATEST FROM YVES ST LAURENT.
SLIP
SLIP

HE BELONGS TO THAT BIKER GROUP, THE WES TOKYO BIKERS' CLUB. HE'S A GANG MEMBER.
BUUP BUUP
VRRMMM
HEY, YOU TWO! LISTEN WHEN I'M TALKING!
KOSAKA, I NEED YOU TO CHOOSE AN ASSISTANT REP BY TOMORROW.
TAKAICHI...
I'LL HELP. WE CAN DO IT TO-GETHER.
OKAY.
AH... ABOUT THAT...
I'LL DO IT.


MIMORI, THIS JUST ARRIVED FROM THE HOME EC TEACHER
WE HAVE TO DECIDE ON GROUPS BY NEXT FRIDAY.
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO FILL THIS IN. HEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
I WAS JUST THINKING... YOUR NAILS ARE SO PRETTY.
Why must I have childish nails?
OH, THESE?
NAIL POLISH FROM YVES ST LAURENT.
IT'S SNOW TONE SO THEY DON STAND OUT
The airlines...
...are in a slump like everything else.

UH...
I'M HOME.
HRN...
MOM, HOW MUCH JUNK HAVE YOU BOUGHT THIS MONTH?
OH, WELL...
My mom is still...
...as flashy as she was when she was a stewardess.
CHAK
IT'S THAT "LIE OFF" THING THAT'S GOING AROUND.
YOU MEAN "LAYOFF"
HEY, IZUMI. WAS DAD OFF AGAIN TODAY?
POST
POST
UH, YEAH. HE SAYS IT'S PAID LEAVE.

DARN, NOBODY HERE. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?
THERE AREN'T VERY MANY PEOPLE AROUND, ARE THERE?
BOYS 1-A
HUP
HUP
WHP
LET'S ASK THOSE GUYS.
IT'S NOTHING. JUST JOT A QUICK NOTE—
WELL, IT CAN'T BE HELPED. LET'S JUST LEAVE THE PRINTOUT WITH A NOTE.
GIRLS! HEY, IT'S GIRLS!
O-KAY...
THE BOYS FROM 1-A? OH, I THINK THEY'RE IN THE GYM.
THEY WERE THERE A WHILE AGO, WEREN'T THEY?

I'M SO GLAD. IT...
IT MAKES ME NERVOUS, GOING TO THE BOYS SIDE ALONE
MIMORI? UM. WE'RE TAKING COOKING WITH BOYS 1-A
I'M SUPPOSED TO TAKE THIS PRINTOUT TO THEM.
COULD YOU COME WITH ME?
IS THAT ALL? SURE
FIRST YEAR SKILLS - HOME ECONOMICS REPRESENTATIVE MIS
1 YEA A GROUP
NAME
Heh.
It's kind of exciting...
...to have someone this pretty depend on me.
NOT A PROBLEM. LET'S GO AND GET IT OVER WITH.

TA-DA! CAUGHT A PEEPING JANE!
LOOK EVERYBODY!
RGH
THUMP
HEY! LET ME GO!
YOU'RE PRETTY DEMANDING FOR A VOYEUR.
AND ARE YOU HER PARTNER IN CRIME?
HUH?

HAHAHAHA
N NO YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG! WE THOUGHT
LOOK! PERVERTS!
Yaugh!
They're here!
THERE WAS NOBODY HERE
YEE!
WOW! PRETTY BOLD PEEPING!

SHUT UP AND LISTEN!
I'M THE CLASS REP, SO I CAME TO DELIVER A PRINTOUT.
I WAS WRONG TO JUST ARGE IN, BUT-
I'M MIMORI KOSAKA OF GIRLS I-A!

BAM!
I said...
HEY, VOYEUR, WHO ARE YOU? A FIRST-YEAR?
Why is this happening to me?
NO-NO-YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND-
TUG TUG
GO AWAY!
I'M NOT A VOYEUR!
I'M NOT!

Where's Nana?
SIGH
I really embarrassed her, didn't I?
It wasn't supposed to turn out this way
MIMORI KOSAKA-
YOU'RE SO RELENTLESS! I TOLD YOU, I'M NOT A VOYEUR!
I CAN never face any of the guys in Boys I-A again...
I CAN'T stand it. This is the absolute pits
HEY MIMORI KOSAKA.
I certainly CAN'T expect to get a boyfriend NOW
MIMORI KOSAKA
Kosaka...
FOLLOW THIS PRINTOUT AND DIVIDE INTO GROUPS BY FRIDAY
RETURN IT TO MS. TASHIRO, THE HOME EC TEACHER
Mimori...
LATER
OH, HEY!
SLAM!
Argh
Darn it!

Mimori Kosaka

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
?
Now I'm scared...
YO, BEETOTCH! NOBODY LOOKS AT MY NAKED BODY!
WE SPRAY MY POSSE TO RIDE AROUND YOU HOUSE!!
Could he have been in the group back there?
WEREN'T YOU...
...IN SETAGAYA WARD WAKABA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, FIFTH GRADER, CLASS 4?
ARE YOU THAT MIMORI KOSAKA?

West Tokyo Biker's Club

I'M...
ATSUSHI HARUTA.
Why is he suddenly introducing himself?
DON'T TELL ME...
...YOU DON'T REMEMBER.

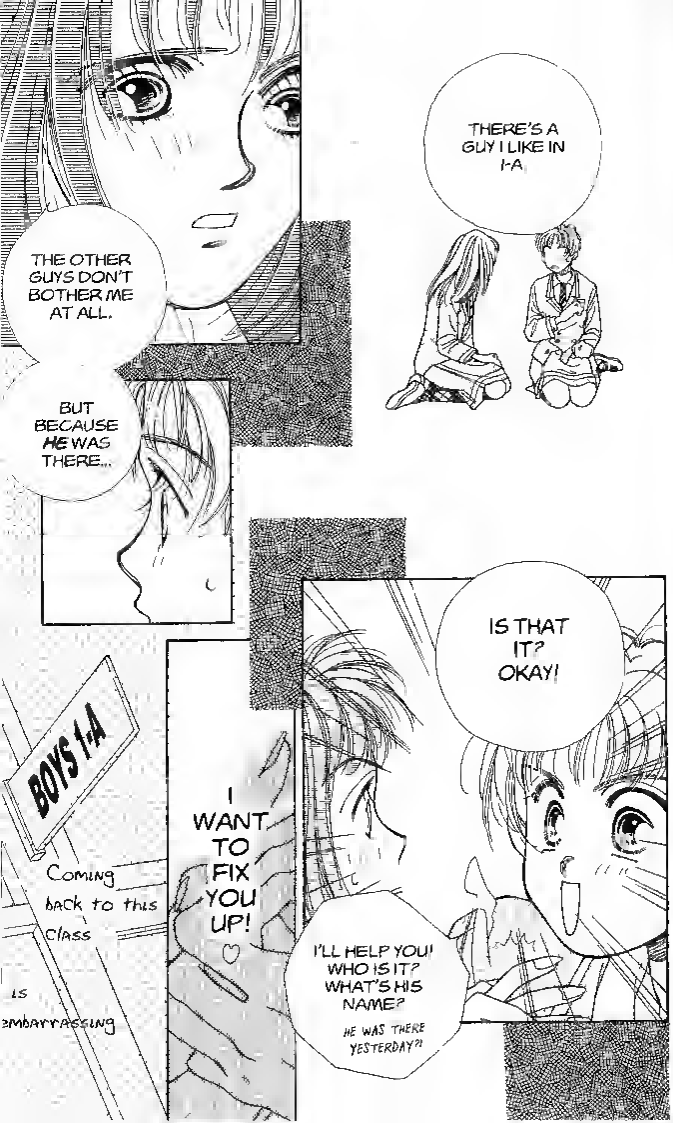
WHAT?
JUST HURRY UP AND ANSWER!
MIMORI'S A WEIRD NAME THERE CAN'T BE TWO MIMORI KOSAKAS
UH-HUH. YEAH. YES.
THAT'S ME.

Wh...
What
was
that?
"I'll get my revenge..."
"Revenge..."
Why is this happening?
High school was supposed to be my bright new dawn.

What's with this guy?
...
Do I know him from elementary school?
OKAY FINE
BUT I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN
I SWORE, THE NEXT TIME I MET YOU
DING DONG
SEE YA
I'D GET MY REVENGE ON YOU.
DING DONG DONG

SLAP!
HA HA! OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
I KNOW YOU MUST'VE BEEN EMBARRASSED!
AH...NO, THAT'S NOT IT
UM, MIMORI? YOU SEEMED INTERESTED IN MY NAILS YESTERDAY.
HEH... BUT I'M GLAD
SO I BROUGHT SOME POLISH.
...YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT ME.
WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT ON?
COME ON, LET'S GO UP TO THE ROOF!

GOOD MORNING.
I thought about it all last night, but nothing I don't remember
MORNIN'!
MORNING, KOSAKA!
MORNING, MIMORI!
My elementary-school yearbook...
...is lost somewhere.
GOOD MORNING.
ABOUT YESTERDAY... I'M SORRY I LEFT YOU ALL ALONE.
I...

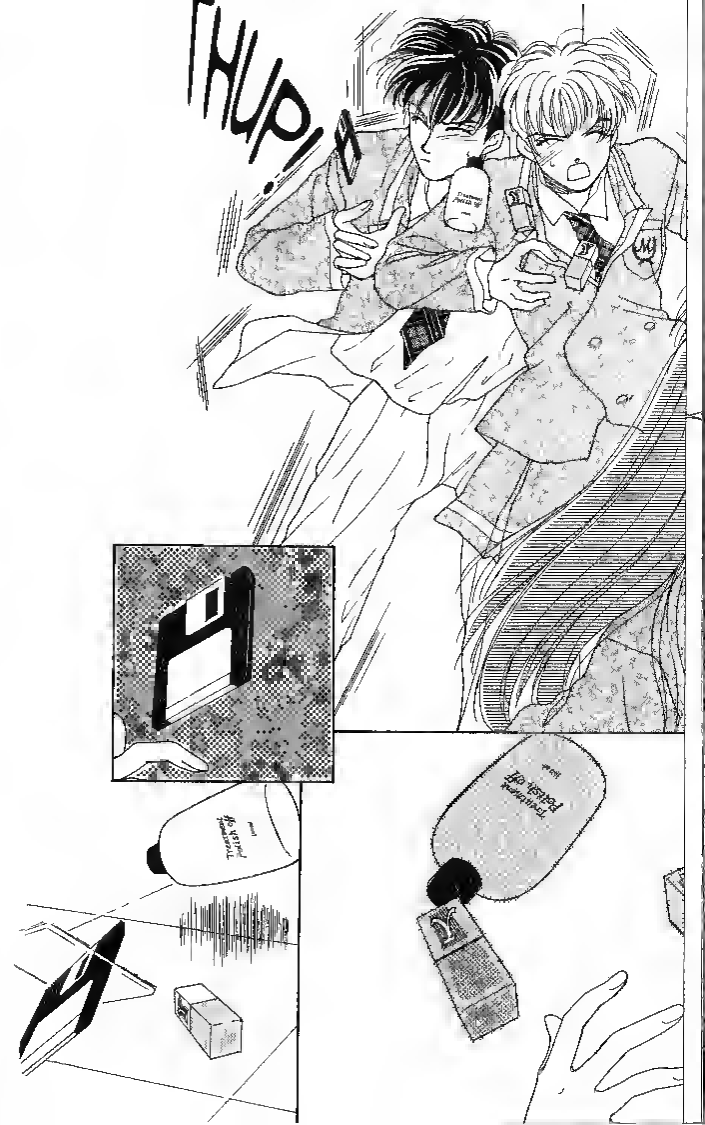

THERE'S A GUY I LIKE IN I-A.
THE OTHER GUYS DON'T BOTHER ME AT ALL.
BUT BECAUSE HE WAS THERE...
BOYS 1-A
Coming back to this class
IS EMBARRASSING
I WANT TO FIX YOU UP! ♡
IS THAT IT? OKAY!
I'LL HELP YOU! WHO IS IT? WHAT'S HIS NAME?
HE WAS THERE YESTERDAY?!

AND WILL YOU LISTEN WHILE YOU PUT IT ON?
I HAVE NAIL-POLISH REMOVER, TOO. ♡
HUH?
Treatment Polish
HEY, PUT THIS COLOR ON NEXT
I'M GOING TO TELL YOU EVERY-THING
THERE'S A REASON I RAN AWAY YESTERDAY.
WHY GOING TO THE BOYS SIDE MAKES ME SO NERVOUS.
THERE'S STILL TIME BEFORE HOMEROOM STARTS.

WE WERE TOGETHER IN CRAM SCHOOL. BUT HE WAS IN THE SPECIAL CLASS_
*The advanced class that is.
I APPLIED TO THIS SCHOOL BECAUSE HE WENT TO MIDDLE SCHOOL HERE. I HOPED HE'D BE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL
BLUSH
Whew...
Looks like the blonde isn't here
HIM, THE TALL ONE_
LOOK
LOOK
KAZUKITA KUNIYASU!
Hold on I'm running to the restroom.
THAT SHORT GUY IS SO LUCKY
I.. I CAN'T.
ARE YOU GOING TO CONFESS YOUR FEELINGS?
HE'S ALWAYS WITH KUNIYASU.
DO IT, NANA. YOU'RE SURE TO—

KAZUKITA!
IT'S GONNA BE A HIT!
BUT YOU WERE RIGHT—IT'S ADDICTIVE
GOOD MORNING, RAN
GOOD? HA! LOOK AT THE BAGS UNDER MY EYES.
I COULDN'T SLEEP A WINK BECAUSE OF THIS GAME
IDIOTS! DON'T PAW ALL OVER IT!
CHA
WHAT'S ADDICTIVE? WHAT?
CHA

KO.
SHIK!


THUP!

IN THAT CASE, THE DISK IS WIPED...
YOU'RE LYING. YOU'VE GOTTA BE LYING.
MY —OUR— MILLION...
MILLION!?

THIS ISN'T HAPPENING!
WHAT
WHAT IS THIS!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, RAN?
HEY, WHAT WAS IN THIS BOTTLE?
ER...
NAIL-POLISH REMOVER
OH NO...

AH COME ON LET'S GO TO CLASS, MIMORI
WHAT HAPPENED JUST NOW COULDN'T BE HELPED.
I...
I...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I shouldn't have come to I-A after all.
Things just keep getting worse and worse.
SLAM!!

IT WOULD'VE BEEN BETTER IF IT HAD CRACKED
DING-DONG-DING-DONG
LOOKS LIKE HOME-ROOM'S STARTING
HE'S SNAPPED.
YOU GIRLS GO BACK TO CLASS.
COME ON, RAN. LET'S GO.
DING-DONG-DING

I'M STUCK AT HOME ALL DAY! I LIKE NICE THINGS!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
I WONDER ABOUT YOUR COMMON SENSE.
It's no use
I can't very well talk about money now

Geez. Who said it?

That this year was lucky?

YOU CAME TO APOLOGIZE TO SHINGYOJI ABOUT THE FLOPPY.
OH, I KNOW.
The guy
is called Shingyoji
IT'S A SHAME WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM.
HE REALLY TREASURED THAT GAME
NOT THAT I'D KNOW
...At a time like this...

WHY ARE YOU JUST STANDING AROUND?
How should I apologize?
I look so obvious out here
but I don't want to go into the I-A classroom
That voice

IT'S TRUE! THE FLOPPY WAS MY FAULT! I'LL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY.
YOU... BITCH.
BUT IT'S ABSOLUTELY NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!
Wait a minute.
If Shingyoji said that, I'd understand...but why do I have to take crap from him?
ARE YOU STILL HUNG UP ON GRADE SCHOOL? A MAN SHOULDN'T DWELL ON THE PAST! AD NAUSEAM.
AND YOU KNOW WHAT? I DON'T REMEMBER YOU AT ALL!
BASH
Why?
LEARN SOMETHING FROM YOUR MISTAKES—

YOU'VE BEEN LIKE THAT..
..EVER SINCE GRADE SCHOOL.
PUSHY, POKING YOUR NOSE IN EVERYTHING, WHOOPING IT UP.
YOU HAVEN'T GROWN UP AT ALL.
IN THE END...
...SOMEONE GETS HURT.

YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE FEELING BETTER. I'M SO GLAD.
HEH... A BIT.
GOOD MORNING, MIMORI.
OH, NANA. GOOD MORNING.
I'M SO HAPPY, MIMORI. THANKS TO YOU...
...I GET TO TALK TO KUNIYASU.
I forgot!
DON'T WE HAVE A HOME EC CLASS TODAY...
...WITH BOYS 1-A?
LET'S APOLOGIZE TO KUNIYASU AND HIS FRIEND, OKAY?
What am I going to do?
NANA...
YOU'RE A BIT...
HM? WHAT IS IT?

JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE IN A BIKER GANG...
...YOU THINK EVERYBODY'S AFRAID OF YOU? WELL, YOU'RE MAKING A BIG MISTAKE.

I don't want to think about the consequences, but it still felt good
Yes! That felt good!
BAM
A BIKER GANG? WHAT?
HEY! HANG ON!

WE'LL USE THE NAIL-POLISH GIRL TO GET CLOSE TO THE HOT ONE
WELL? AM I RIGHT? IT'LL BE SWEET REVENGE!
Sure, why not?
WE'LL TAKE HER FOR THE FULL MILLION!
KAZUKITA... I HAVE A BRILLIANT IDEA.
HEY!
HUH? THAT'S THE FIRST TIME...
...HE'S SPOKEN TO US.
We're in the same class?
But...
WHAT'S UP? YOU HAVE SOME KIND OF GRUDGE AGAINST THAT GIRL?
SHE HAS TO GET HURT AT LEAST ONCE...
...'CAUSE SHE NEVER LETS UP.
WHATEVER YOU DO, DON'T LET HER OFF TOO EASY.
Haruta...
DAMN THAT NAIL-POLISH-REMOVER GIRL!
THAT MILLION IS NEVER, EVER COMING BACK...
UM ABOUT THAT...
LOOK OVER THERE
THE GIRL WITH HER IS THE LONG-HAIRED ONE FROM I-A.
OH
THOSE TWO ARE FRIENDS!
IT'S THE NAIL-POLISH GIRL... HEY, WAIT!
AW, MAN. I'M SO FRUSTRATED!
MORNIN' RAN, KUNIYASU.
SO WHAT IF IT'S MORNING?

I was the one at fault
I have to apologize properly
I know that, but
I'm so unlucky
Why does everything happen to me?
LET'S HURRY TO COOKING CLASS.
I WONDER IF THE GUYS ARE ALREADY THERE?
BOYS FROM GROUP 2
DIVIDE UP INTO YOUR BOY-GIRL GROUPS
Please God
Please, at least put me in a group for sure!
CHATTER
AAH
PLEASE MOVE QUIETLY.

EVERYONE HERE WANTS REVENGE AGAINST THAT GIRL.
THE THREE OF US ARE IN IT TOGETHER.
WHY NOT? SOUNDS NEAT
HARU-CHAN! LET'S PLAY TOGETHER!
YOU'RE KINDA DIFFERENT, SOMEONE LIKE YOU
I WANT TO
Someone like you, Haru
SHRED HER TO PIECES.

I'M IN GROUP 2, TOO.
SHOVE
I Think, after All, I...
...am very...
...unlucky.

HOLD ON.
THIS GUY BEGGED ME TO CHANGE PLACES.
THAT'S RIGHT. I WASN'T COERCED.

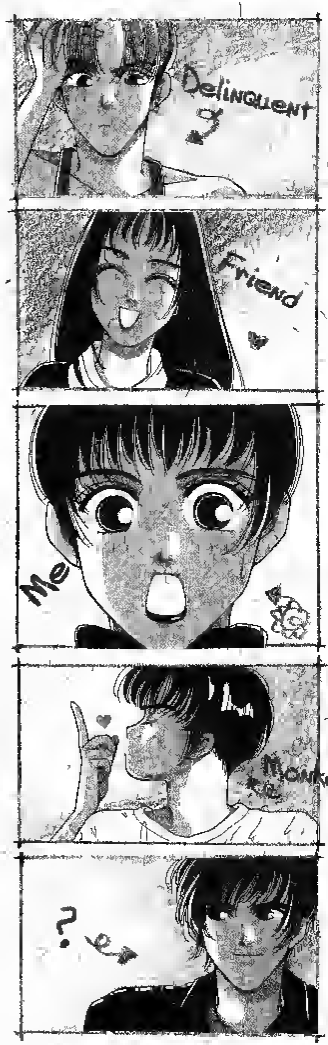
WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW?
WE'RE WITH YOU!

SNAP

RIGHT OVER HERE! THAT'S US!

There, there...
Ah...
AND AFTER ALL THAT...
IT TAKES QUITE A BIT OF MONEY TOO. PART-TIME JOB AFTER PART-TIME JOB...
TRIAL AND ERROR OVER AND OVER AGAIN...

TOKYO BOYS REFERENCE NO. 1 ATSUSHI HARUTA
HOME: MINATO-KU, TOKYO
HEIGHT: 5' 10" WEIGHT: 132lbs
(BOTH BY SELF-DECLARATION)
BLOOD TYPE: A
FAMILY: MOTHER (FATHER DIVORCED AND HAS OWN FAMILY)
INTERESTS: MOTORCYCLES CURRENTLY HAS A MOTORIZED BICYCLE WANTS A VESPA
FAVORITE FOOD: HAAGEN DAZ MACADAMIA BRITTLE
(LIKES SWEETS LOVES CHOCOLATE A CHILD'S TASTE BUDS)



NANA...
NANA!
I'M NANA TAKAICHI. KUNIYASU...
IT WAS MY FAULT, TOO.
Nana (tears)
ER... UM, I DON'T WANT TO BLAME YOU, BUT...
JUST, WELL... SORT OF IN PAYMENT...
WILL YOU HELP US WITH OUR GAME DEVELOPMENT?
THE TWO OF YOU.

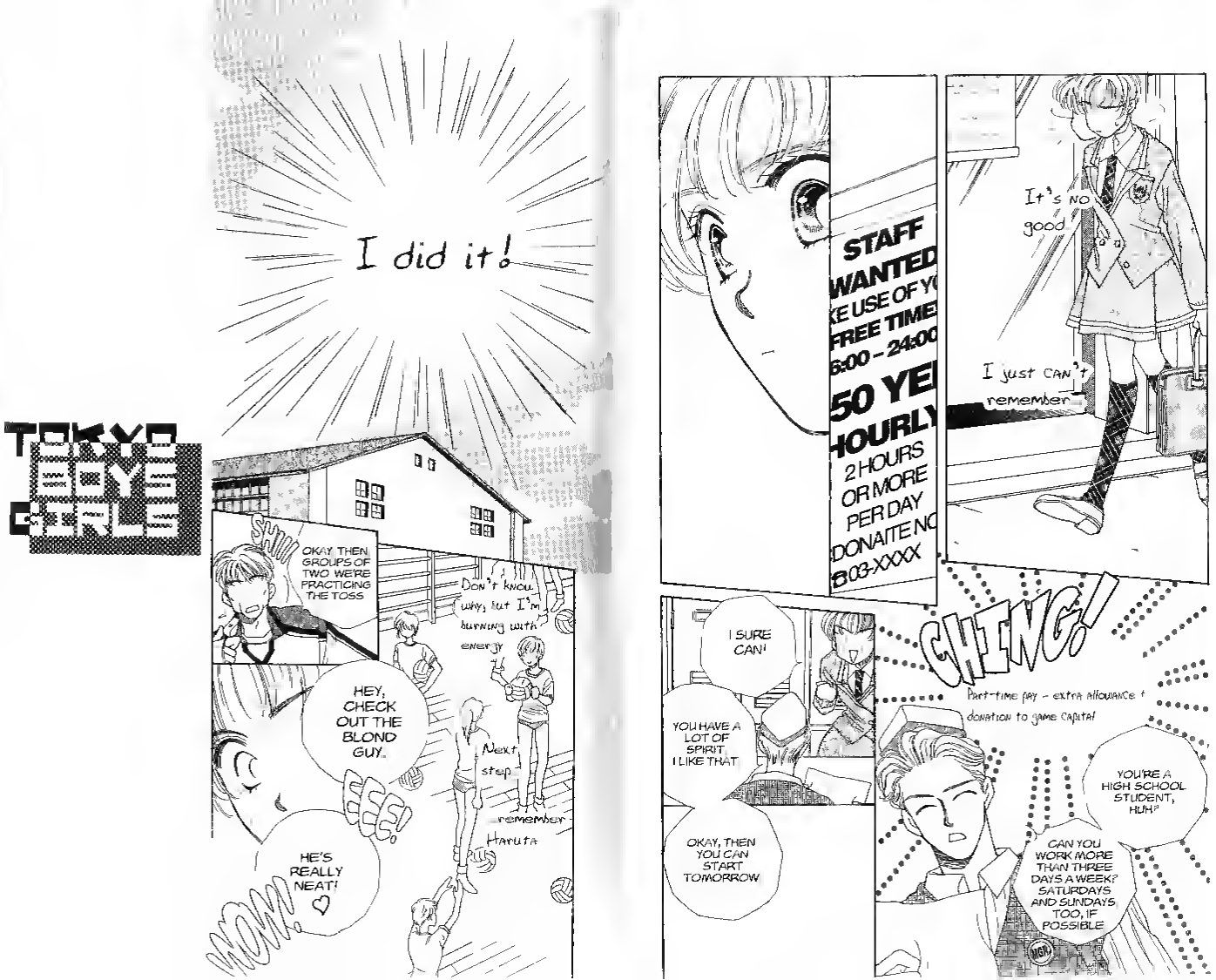
I'M SO..
...SO SORRY..
THE SOFTWARE WAS DESTROYED IN AN INSTANT!
IF THERE'S ANYTHING I CAN DO TO MAKE UP FOR IT.
NA
AH! IT WASN'T ONLY MIMORI'S FAULT!
IT WAS MY FAULT, TOO!
My only salvation is...
I destroyed the software before it was entered, before its value could be determined.

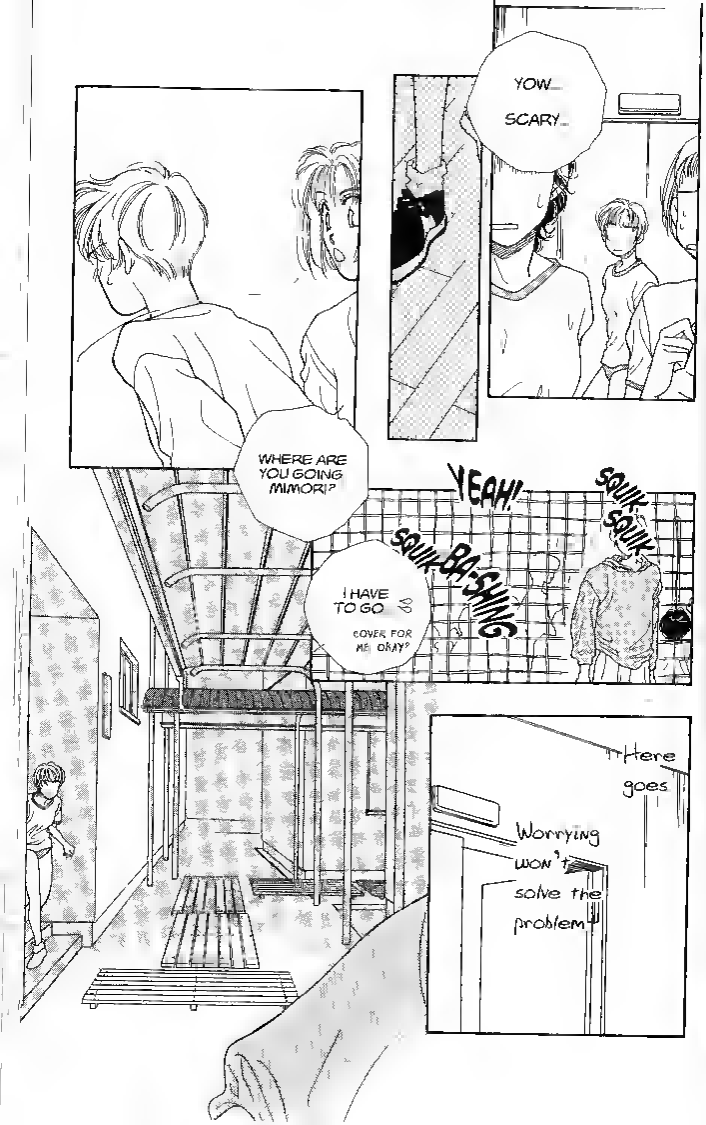
I have...
...him to worry about, too.
"The next time I meet you, I'm taking my revenge."
PATTER
I forgot about him
PATTER
STOP GABBING, YOU GUYS. HURRY UP AND CUT THE VEGETABLES!
YOU PLANNING TO MAKE ME DO ALL THE WORK BY MYSELF?
HUH?
TODAY'S MENU:
CURRY WITH RICE AND RAISIN SALAD

IT'S NOT AS EASY AS IT SOUNDS. IT'S QUITE CHALLENGING.
WE'LL BE WORKING TOWARD ENTRY IN THE AUTUMN CONTEST.
SO YOU AGREE TO HELP US? THE BOTH OF YOU?
OK-KAY
Looks like they're not all that mad!
Lucky! Lucky!
YOU MEAN IT?
HA. HARUTA
*you mustn't point knives at people
CHING!
YEEP

I was sure Mom could help with the "Haruta hunt"
Drat
EH?
YOUR YEARBOOK FROM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL?
I WONDER WHERE IT WENT...
He probably wasn't in my middle school
Ha ru ta...
BURGER
Atsushi Haruta
Atsushi Haruta

ARGH
OUR ALLOWANCE IS CUT DOWN TO 2,000 YEN THIS MONTH?! WHY?
ARGH
THAT'S UNBEARABLE, MOM! IT'S OPPRESSION!
ARGH
I NEED MONEY TO SET ASIDE FOR MY YEARBOOK!
WHAT, AGAIN?
YES, AGAIN! I'M IN SIXTH GRADE THIS YEAR!
Yuck... I need as much capital as I can get to help make that game
I was hoping for a loan from Mom and Dad...
That's it!
MOM!
IF YOU HAVE ANY COMPLAINTS, TAKE THEM TO YOUR FATHER
HIS BONUS WAS CUT BY ONE-THIRD
IT'S ALL BECAUSE YOU SHOP TOO MUCH, MOM!
WHY, IZUMI!


TOKYO BOY GIRL
I did it!
OKAY, THEN GROUPS OF TWO WE'RE PRACTICING THE TOSS
HEY, CHECK OUT THE BLOND GUY..
HE'S REALLY NEAT! ♡
WOW
Don't know why, but I'm burning with energy
Next step
remember
Haruta
STAFF WANTED
E USE OF YO
FREE TIME
6:00 – 24:00
50 YE
HOURLY
2 HOURS OR MORE PER DAY
DONAITE NO
03-XXXX
It's no good
I just can't remember
I SURE CAN!
YOU HAVE A LOT OF SPIRIT. I LIKE THAT.
OKAY, THEN YOU CAN START TOMORROW.
CHING!
Part-time pay – extra allowance + donation to game capital
YOU'RE A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, HUH?
CAN YOU WORK MORE THAN THREE DAYS A WEEK? SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS, TOO, IF POSSIBLE
MGN


YOW... SCARY...
WHERE ARE YOU GOING MIMORI?
I HAVE TO GO... COVER FOR ME, OKAY?
YEAH!
SQUIK-SQUIK
SQUIK-BA-SWING
There goes...
Worrying won't solve the problem

BOOM
DUMMY, THAT'S HARUTA. THE FAMOUS ONE
OH... THE ONE WHO'S SUPPOSED TO BE IN A GANG...
The documents go to room 1365, too.
HEY, HARUTA!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
COME BACK HERE!
HEY!
LOOK, HE'S SAYING SOMETHING TO THE TEACHER...

THAT'S WHY YOU STILL—
IS THAT ALL YOU CAN DO? SAY YOU'RE SORRY?
UM, HEY
MY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEARBOOK IS MISSING
SHH!
OH, I HAVE TO GO
Girls gather!
DON'T BE STUPID
THAT WON'T RELIEVE MY BITTERNESS
QUITE FRIENDLY, AREN'T YOU?

YOU WANTED SOMETHING?
His face is so beautiful it's scary.
Even in grade school, he should've been memorable.
ER, YES, WELL...
I'M SORRY!
LOOK, I CAN'T REMEMBER YOU
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I DID TO YOU
BUT YOU SAID YOU WANTED REVENGE.
I MUST HAVE DONE SOMETHING HORRIBLE, RIGHT?
SHUU

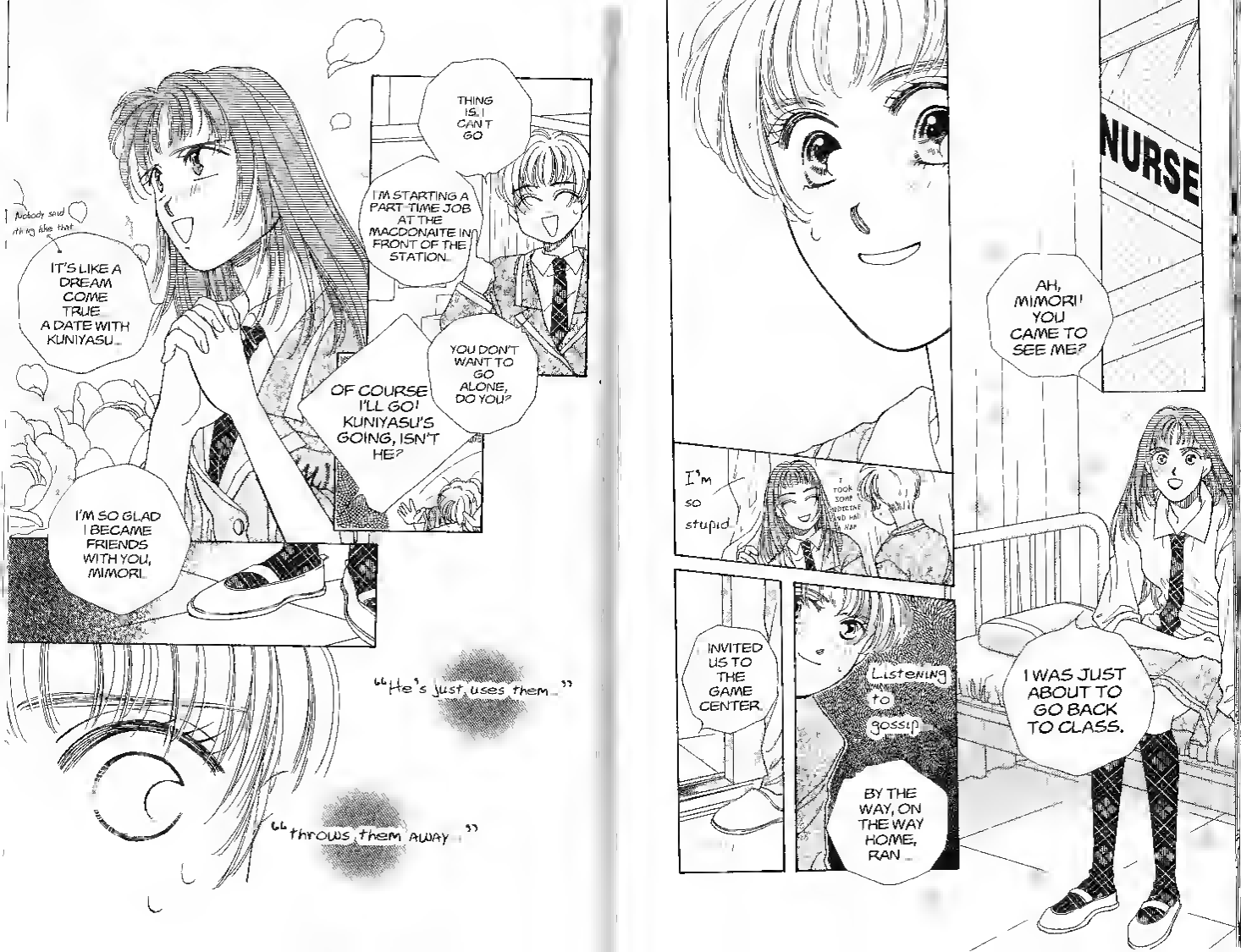
GIVE BREAK!
I MADE UP A NICKNAME FOR YOU CUTE, HUH?
HUH? SINCE WHEN AM I "MIMORIN"?
WHAT? YOU'RE GOING TO RESEARCH SOME GAMES?
AW NO NEVER MIND
MAKES NO SENSE, IF NANA'S NOT THERE
THAT SO? THEN I GUESS SHE CAN'T GO TO THE GAME CENTER...
SO, UH NANA TAKAICHI... WHAT HAPPENED TO HER?
SHE WASN'T IN GYM...
OH, SHE'S ALL RIGHT SHE WENT TO THE NURSE'S OFFICE.
THAT TIME OF MONTH

IT'S... IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS, OKAY?
PMP
I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO SHRED HER TO PIECES...
HEY, MIMORIN!
I'M SO HOT!
WHAT'S NEXT?
MAN, I'M SO TIRED

WE WERE USING THE RUINED DISK AS AN EXCUSE...
...SO THAT RAN AND THAT GIRL COULD GET TO GETHER...
HUH?
COULD IT BE THAT YOUR FEELINGS ARE HURT?
BECAUSE YOU FOUND OUT YOU WERE JUST BEING USED?

It means...
That means...
Oh
HA HA... JUST JOKING! WELL, SEE YA.
COME ON KAZUKITA!
SAY, COULD IT BE THAT...
HELPING US WITH THE GAME WAS JUST A PRETENSE. THE TARGET IS THAT GIRL TAKAICHI.
YOU'RE JUST OUR PRETEXT.
Er... um...
...RAN...TO BE WITH NANA, HE...THAT FLOPPY.
YOU ARE SO SLOW

HEY, KOSAKA, YOU'RE REAL FRIENDLY WITH THE BOYS!
THOSE GUYS YOU WERE TALKING TO, AREN'T THEY IN OUR HOME EC CLASS?
THOSE TWO STAND OUT, AFTER ALL...
THE SHORT ONE'S CUTE AND THE TALL ONE'S HANDSOME.
OOO, ARE YOU DATING ONE OF THEM?
OF COURSE NOT! RAN AND NANA—
OOH! ALMOST LET IT OUT!
SOMETHING ABOUT HIM BEING CHOOSY ABOUT HIS FRIENDS
HUH?
OH, T. KAICHI?
YEAH!
DID YOU KNOW THAT GUY HAS A BAD REPUTATION?
HE ONLY HANGS OUT WITH PEOPLE WHO MAKE HIM LOOK GOOD
SOME KIDS FROM HIS MIDDLE SCHOOL WERE TALKING ABOUT HIM.
THEN, AFTER HE'S USED THEM, HE TOSSES THEM AWAY!
SORRY, BUT YOUR PLAN WON'T WORK. I CAN'T BE YOUR PRETEXT.
DOING
DOING
I THOUGHT SOMETHING WAS UP.
SO THAT'S IT. RAN WANTS NANA.
TOO BAD NANA'S INTERESTED IN SOMEBODY ELSE.
If I didn't feel guilty about his disk, I would've slugged him.
GIRLS DRESSING ROOM
What should I do?
Maybe I should subtly push Ran
YOU KNOW, YOU'RE A REAL BASTARD.
EEP
DOING
DOING
Nana should give up on that jerk


Nobody said anything like that
IT'S LIKE A DREAM COME TRUE. A DATE WITH KUNIYASU...
I'M SO GLAD I BECAME FRIENDS WITH YOU, MIMORI.
THING IS, I CAN'T GO
I'M STARTING A PART-TIME JOB AT THE MACDONAITE IN FRONT OF THE STATION...
OF COURSE I'LL GO! KUNIYASU'S GOING, ISN'T HE?
YOU DON'T WANT TO GO ALONE, DO YOU?
"He's just uses them..."
"throws them away..."
NURSE
AH, MIMORI! YOU CAME TO SEE ME?
I'm so stupid
I TOOK SOME MEDICINE AND HAD A NAP
INVITED US TO THE GAME CENTER.
Listening to gossip...
BY THE WAY, ON THE WAY HOME, RAN...
I WAS JUST ABOUT TO GO BACK TO CLASS.

I...
KUNIYASU.
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF DATING YOU.
WAIT A MINUTE, KUNIYASU!
FORGET IT.
DAK
NANA!
I KEEP BUMPING INTO YOU.
IF THIS IS THE PROBLEM YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT EARLIER I GUESS IT'S SOLVED.

MIMORI, PLEASE TAKE RAN WITH YOU!
OH! I JUST GOT A GREAT IDEA!
HUH?
THEN I'LL BE ALONE WITH KUNIYASU.
GYU!
OH, PLEASE? YOU'LL DO IT, WON'T YOU?
IF IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US, I WON'T GO
I..
I..

BOYS 1-A
HOW DID IT GO? WAS NANA THERE?
WAS IT OKAY? WAS SHE ALL RIGHT?
ER,
WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I'M NOT ASKING ABOUT MIMORI!
MIMORI KOSAKA IS STARTING A PART TIME JOB AT MACDONAITE TODAY.
AH, WELCOME BACK, KAZUKITA.

OWW!
IS KICKING NORMAL?
NOW YOU CAN STILL BE THE PRETEXT, RIGHT?
WITH ME OUT OF THE PICTURE, SHE AND RAN CAN—
WH...WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?
I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT A CREEP YOU ARE!
YOU'RE THE WORST!

*It's hot, so he's wearing two t-shirts. They're not his gym clothes

Geez...
...and high school has just started.
GLITTER
What most important...
...basic task?
POSE!
When you're done with these, do the chairs on the second floor, too?
And I still can't remember anything about Haruta...
I have no luck at all with boys.
Especially that stinking Kazukita Kuniyasu.
WILL YOU THROW THIS AWAY, TOO?
OH, SURE-

BURGER
マクドナルド
ハンバーガー
THE MACDONAITE IN FRONT OF THE STATION
WELL, KOSAKA, YOU'VE SEEN THE VIDEO MANUAL
PLEASE DO THE MOST IMPORTANT BASIC TASK
POSE!
NOW GO OUT INTO THE STORE

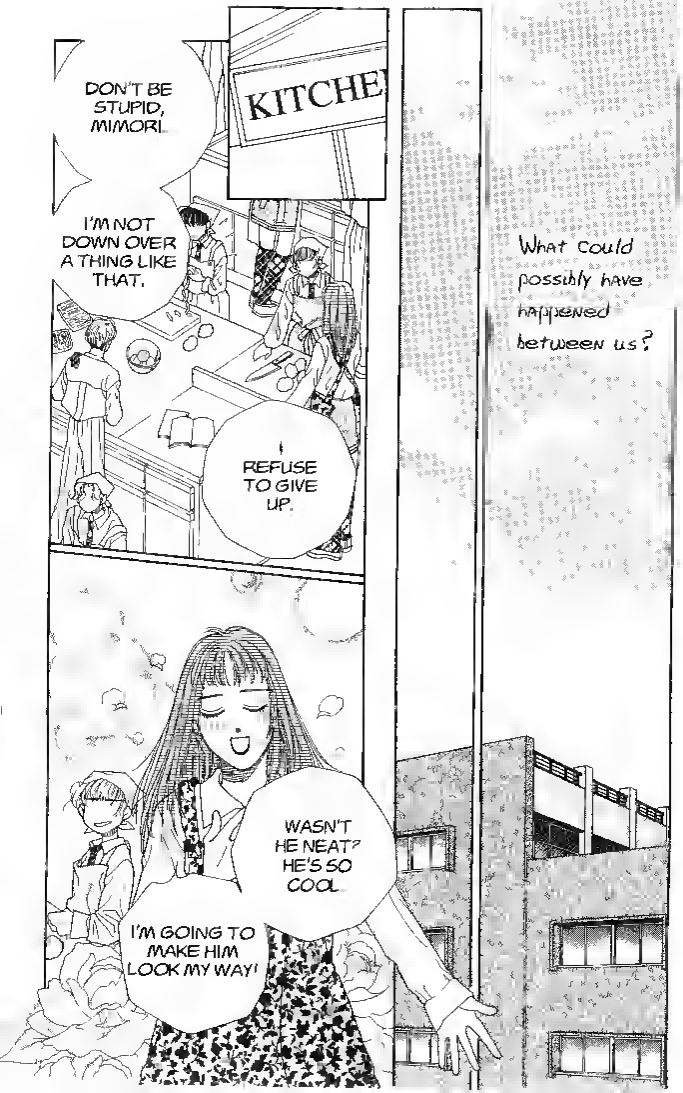
SORRY DOESN'T CUT IT! FILTHY!
LOOK WHAT YOU DID! I'M FILTHY!
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?
I'M VERY SORRY, SIR. I'M VERY SORRY
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE CLEANING FEES
OH... I'M SO SORRY
I'M SORRY!
COME HERE!
GRK!
HEY, YOU!
IS THERE A PROBLEM, KOSAKA?
TOKYO PRE
RUBBIC

SLUP
YOU THINK YOU'VE APOLOGIZED, SO THE CASE IS CLOSED.
YOU CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WELL, IT'S NOT GONNA BE THAT EASY.
IF YOU HAVE TIME FOR A PART TIME JOB, YOU HAVE TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU DID.
POP!
HARUTA!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
YAUGH!
Huh?
SWUP
RIP
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
LISTEN. WHEN DID I EVER ASK YOU FOR AN APOLOGY?
MY GRUDGE IS MORE-

KYAAA
SIR!
WAIT!
YOU BRAT! I'LL KILL YOU!
DON'T RAISE YOUR HAND AGAINST A WOMAN. IT'S NOT NICE.
I'M WARNING YOU!
THIS GUY HAS THE WEST TOKYO BIKE CLUB BEHIND HIM!

WH
AP!

YOU HATE ME, DON'T YOU? WHY?
YOU WERE PRETTY GREAT.
I'M GLAD YOU DID IT.
Y-YOU RE SO STUPID.
WHO WOULD HELP YOU?
GEEZ! WHAT KIND OF IDIOT ARE YOU?
GETTING FIRED RIGHT OFF THE BAT! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
IF YOU HADN'T SAID THAT CRAP, I COULD HAVE SETTLED IT.
SPEAKING OF WHICH...
...WHAT S THIS YOU KEEP MENTIONING ABOUT THE WEST TOKYO-
WHY DID YOU HELP ME?
I KIND OF FELT SORRY FOR THE GUY.


KITCHE
DON'T BE STUPID, MIMORI.
I'M NOT DOWN OVER A THING LIKE THAT.
I REFUSE TO GIVE UP.
What could possibly have happened between us?
WASN'T HE NEAT? HE'S SO COOL.
I'M GOING TO MAKE HIM LOOK MY WAY!

JUST SO YOU KNOW, I HAVEN'T GIVEN UP ON GETTING REVENGE
HURRY UP AND REMEMBER, YOU DUMB GIRL.
VRRM
THAT DUMBASS JUST MADE ME MAD.
Ah!
Something just now
...really makes me want to remember...
...him
BOOOM

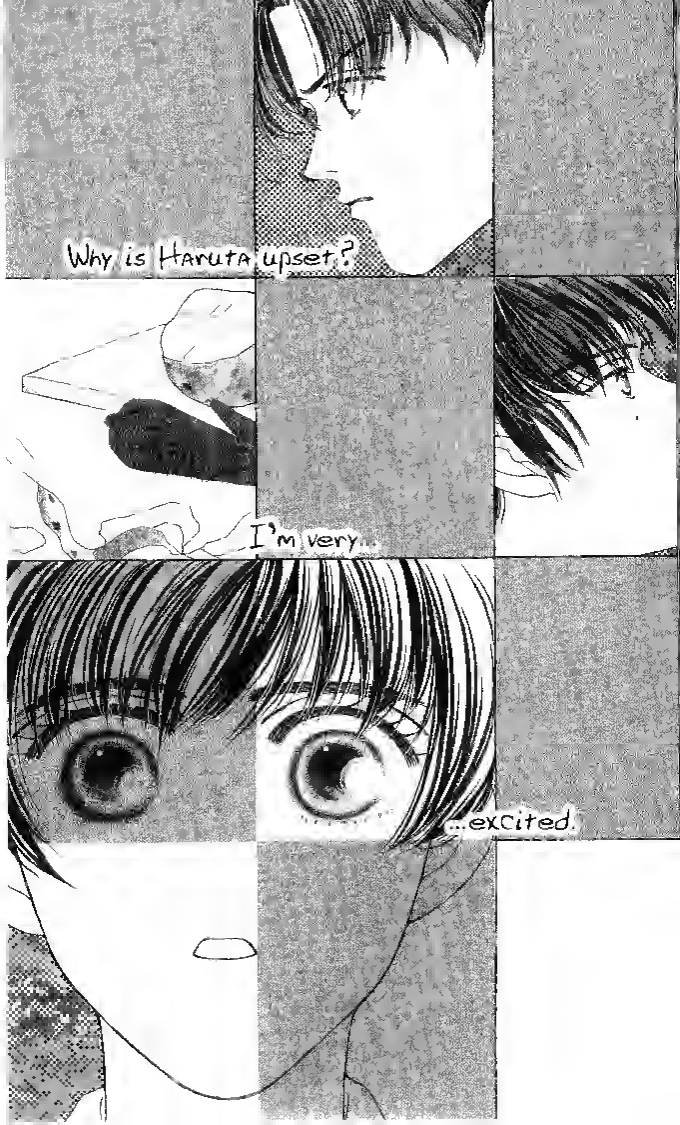
It's strange
Why did I let that get to me?
I'M NOT DUMB!
OWW!
DUMMY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MIMORIN?
OWWW! OWW! OW...
WP

LOOK! ISN'T IT CUTE, NANA?
Potato.
I-- don't think Nana does it intentionally, like everyone says
IF YOU HAVE TIME TO GOOF OFF, WHY AREN'T YOU DONE PEELING?
WOW KUNIYASU, YOU'RE GOOD.
A GENIUS AT MASHING POTATOES!
SHIING
SNUK
SNUK
TODAY'S MENU: HAMBURG W/ MASHED POTATOES AND COOKED VEGETABLES
YOU'RE SO SLOW, YOU DUMB BROAD!
What are you doing, Haruta?
HEY, NO MORE TALKING!
SNUK
HURRY UP AND CUT THOSE POTATOES.
THUK
MIMORIN COULD IT BE THAT NANA IS

YOU JERK!
SLAP
Whaa?
TASTES LIKE TYPE O. AM I RIGHT?
SHFF
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!
S-STOP THAT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING, STUPID?
K..KUNIYASU..

TOKYO GIRLS PROFILE NO 1 MIMORI KOSAKA

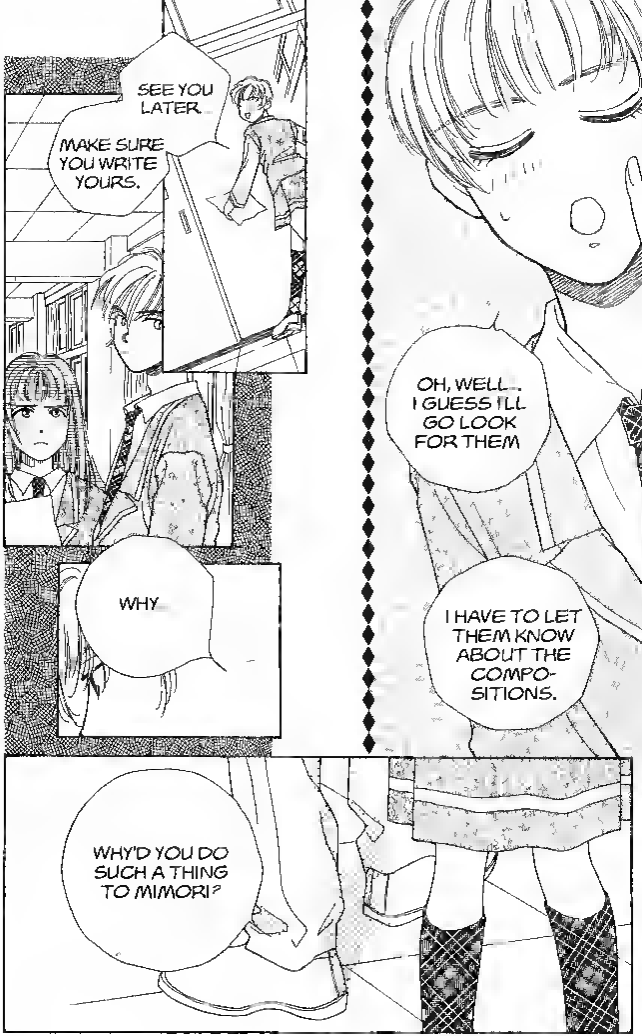
HOME MEGURO WARD, TOKYO
HEIGHT 5' 2" WEIGHT ABOUT 97#s
BLOOD TYPE A
FAMILY MOTHER, FATHER AND ONE YOUNGER SISTER
HOBBIES NOTHING IN PARTICULAR PLAYING GAMES LIKE BASKETBALL (PLAYED IT IN MIDDLE SCHOOL)
HISTORY OF BOYFRIENDS NONE IN 15 YEARS (HAS ONLY ASSOCIATED WITH BOYS IN CLUB ACTIVITIES)

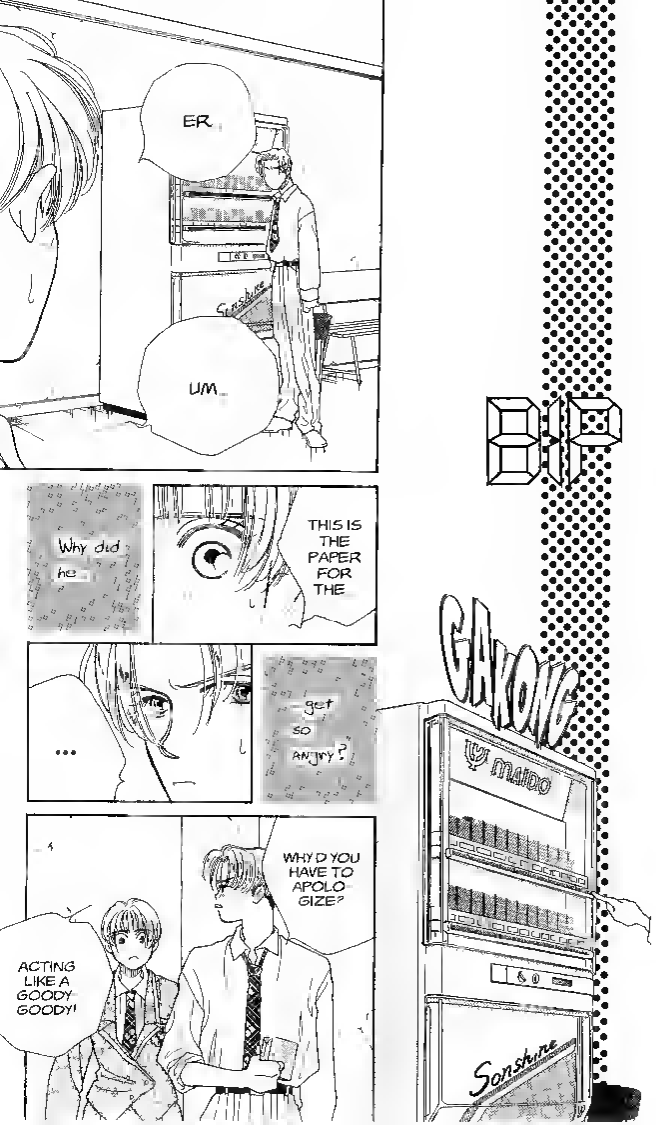


I...
I'M TO BLAME.
I CUT MY FINGER WITH THE KNIFE AND MADE A BIG DEAL OVER IT.
I-I'M SORRY.
MS KOSAKA, YOU'RE THE CLASS REPRESENTATIVE. PLEASE BE MORE MATURE.
SEE ME IN MY OFFICE LATER.
ALL RIGHT, CLASS LET'S CONTINUE.

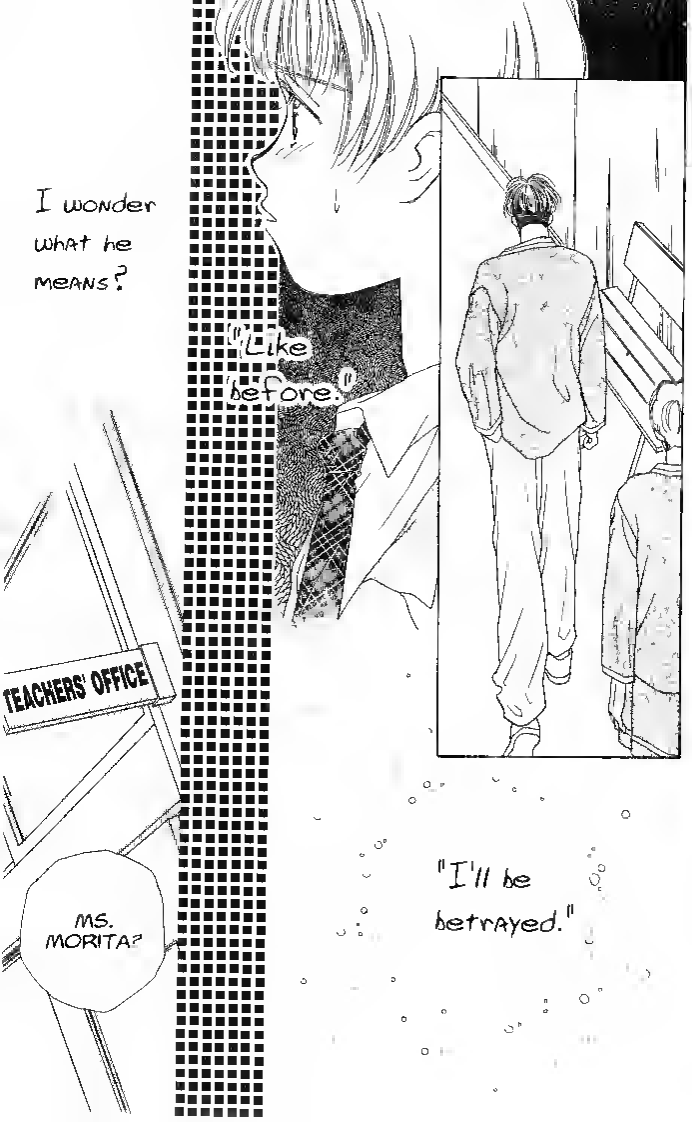
WRITE YOUR APOLOGY ON THESE SHEETS, ALL FIVE OF YOU.
AND TURN THEM IN BEFORE THE END OF SCHOOL.
ATTACHED HIGH SCHOOL
ARE YOU SERIOUS? WHAT A PAIN IN THE ASS.
PAGH!
SHINGYOJI WENT TO THE REST-ROOM.
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT HARUTA.
WHERE'D THEY GO? RAN AND HARUTA?
Huh?
SHUT UP! IT'S REALLY YOUR FAULT!
GYUP
IF YOU HADN'T LICKED MY FINGER LIKE THAT...

YOU SAID YOU DIDN'T WANT TO GO OUT WITH ME.
IS SHE THE REASON?
DO YOU LIKE MIMORI?
WILL YOU STOP TALKING NONSENSE?
AH!
MIMORI GETS ALL RILED UP WHEN I TEASE HER.
SO IT'S FUN
ARE YOU THAT HUNG UP ON ME?
IF RAN DIDN'T LIKE YOU SO MUCH...
I'D SLEEP WITH YOU ONCE
GA—H

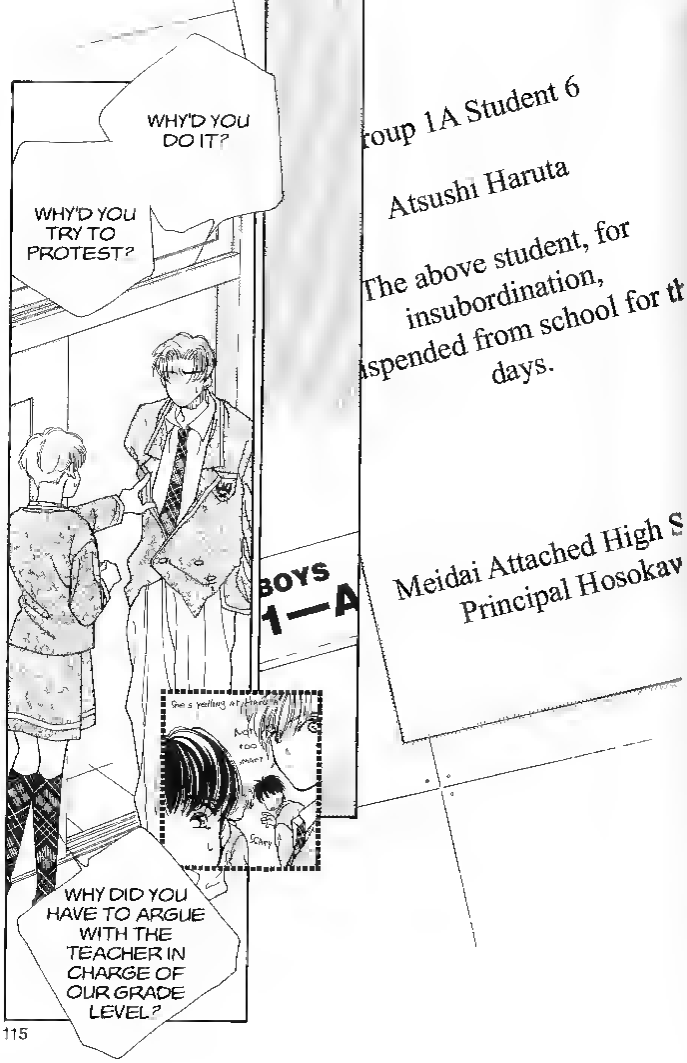

SEE YOU LATER.
MAKE SURE YOU WRITE YOURS.
WHY
OH, WELL... I GUESS I'LL GO LOOK FOR THEM
I HAVE TO LET THEM KNOW ABOUT THE COMPO-SITIONS.
WHY'D YOU DO SUCH A THING TO MIMORI?


ER...
UM...
Why did he...
THIS IS THE PAPER FOR THE...
...
Get so angry?
WHY D YOU HAVE TO APOLO GIZE?
ACTING LIKE A GOODY GOODY!
GAKOKU
maido
Sonshine

I DON'T LIKE...
WHAT?!
HUH? KAZUKITA, YOU LEAVING?
NO THANKS
WHAT ABOUT THE JUICE?
HERE YOU GO NANA
BUT...
I DISLIKE CARBON ATED DRINKS
...BEING TIED DOWN.
THAT'S JUST HOW I AM.
SHUP
IF YOU WANT A PROPER RELATIONSHIP
YOU SHOULD STICK TO RAN


I wonder what he means?
"Like before."
"I'll be betrayed."
TEACHERS' OFFICE
MS. MORITA?

Huh?
I'M THE CLASS REPRESENTATIVE I HAVE TO—
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT?
I DON'T WANT YOU TO GET BLAMED FOR SOMETHING I DID
I'VE HAD...
JUST ABOUT ENOUGH OF YOUR...
...INTERFERING SENSE OF JUSTICE!
IF I BELIEVE IN YOU, I'LL BE BETRAYED AGAIN...
...LIKE BEFORE



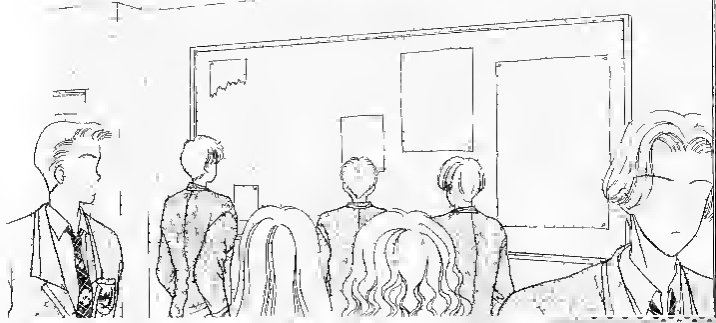
roup 1A Student 6

Atsushi Haruta

The above student, for
insubordination,
spended from school for th
days.

Meidai Attached High S
Principal Hosokav

YES? OH, YOU'RE FROM 1-A
ABOUT THE FIGHT IN CLASS
THAT WAS MY FAULT
THE OTHERS WEREN'T INVOLVED!
WHO CARES ABOUT PIERCED EARS THESE DAYS?
HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO ME LIKE THAT?
AND THOSE EAR DECORATIONS! REMOVE THEM IMMEDIATELY!
WHAT KIND OF ATTITUDE IS THAT?
OH, BUT...

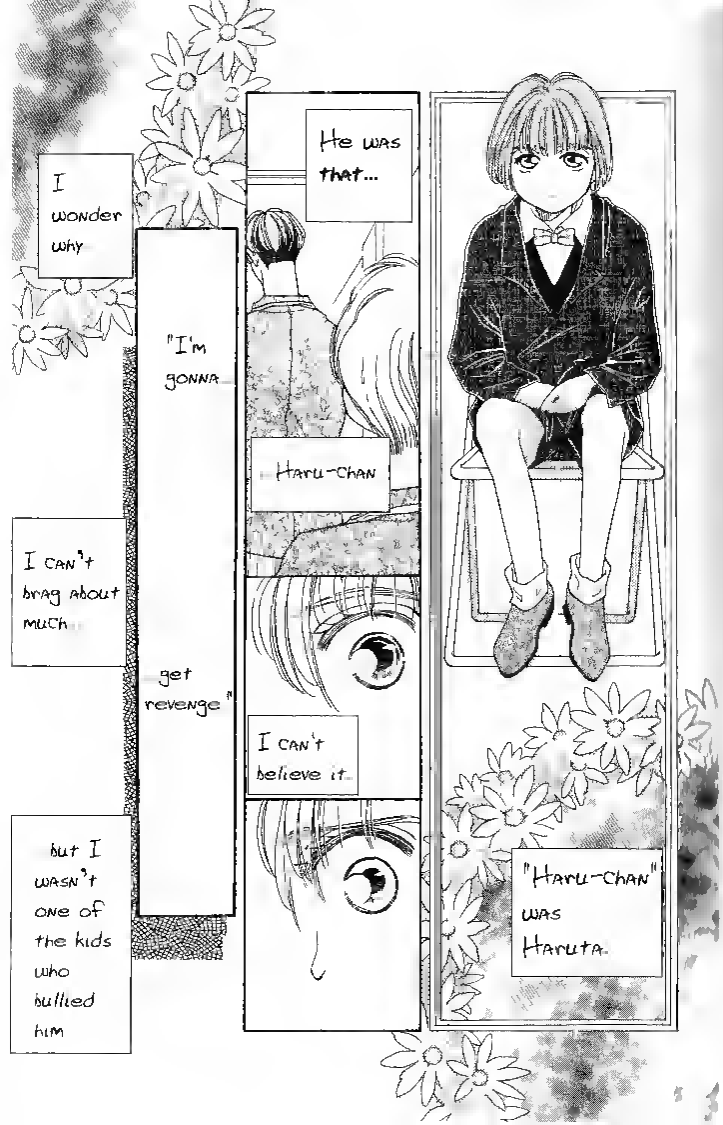


YEARS AGO...
PLEASE!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND! WHY DO YOU HATE ME SO MUCH?
PLEASE TELL ME
WHAT HAPPENED IN GRADE SCHOOL?
SHUT UP! THANKS TO ME, YOU DON'T HAVE TO WRITE A COMPOSITION
NOW WE'RE EVEN, AND I DON'T OWE YOU ANYTHING
SEE YA!
WAIT!
I CAN'T REMEMBER! I CAN'T!

"Does mommy dress you up, Haruko?"
"Let's give him a girl's name!"
"Just like a girl"
"That kid's so creepy!"
Haru-chan!
"Why's your hair so long?"
"Fag!"
"Sissy! Mr. lady!"
"It's Haruko! Haruko!"
"Ugh! So gross!"
"We'll put makeup on you!"
"Haruko's the worst!"
"Hold him down!"
"Eww! Yuck! I touched 'im!"

WHEN I WAS IN GRADE SCHOOL... YOU WERE IN MY CLASS.
THE ENTIRE CLASS HATED ME BECAUSE I LOOKED LIKE A GIRL.
THEY CALLED ME "HARUKO."
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BUT ONLY YOU...
...CALLED ME "HARU-CHAN."
Haru-chan.
SETAGAYA WARD WAKABA GRADE SCHOOL 5TH G


I wonder why
"I'm gonna get revenge"
He was that...
Haru-chan
I can't brag about much
I can't believe it
but I wasn't one of the kids who bullied him
"Haru-chan" was Haruta.

"Cut it out, you guys!"
"The teacher's gonna yell at you!"
"Are you all right, Haru-chan?"
"It's scary Kosaka! The witch!"
"Say that again, stupid Kawashima!"
"You have to be tough."
"Just ignore those boys"

I remember.

MIMORI, CAN YOU SWEEP UNDER HERE?
He's so tall
And his hair
How could I have known...
...that girly boy
...that Haru-chan...
I can't believe it
SLUP
GYU
MIMORI, THAT'S THE BROOM!
WHY'D YOU STICK IT IN THE BUCKET?
GRIP
SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH YOU!

Or rather
You still haven't answered that Haruta
The "why"
THAP!
Haru-chan
AND DON'T SAY...
...IT WAS NOTHING.
BUT... YAY! NO NEED TO WRITE THAT CRUMMY COMPOSITION!
NICE WORK HARUTA!
WHAT WERE YOU AND HARUTA...
...ARGUING ABOUT?
I HEARD YOU HAD A RUN IN WITH THE HEAD TEACHER SERIOUSLY?
YEAH, SO YOU DON'T GET PUNISHED
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WRITE AN APOLOGY.

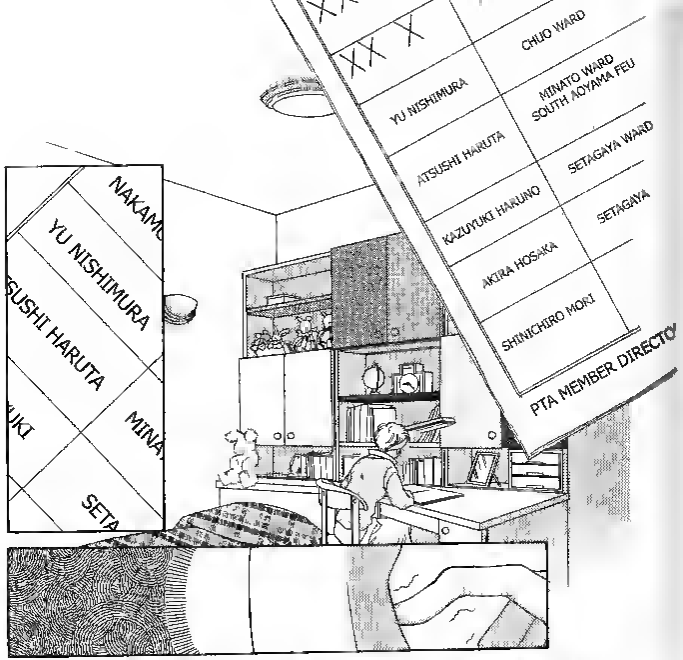
OH, WHAT A THING TO SAY!
BUT IT'S TRUE!
...TO REALLY...
WHEN WE FIRST MET HERE AT HIGH SCHOOL, HE MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT REVENGE.
AND HE WENT AND GOT SUSPENDED TODAY...
...DISLIKE ME.
I MUST'VE DONE SOMETHING TERRIBLE TO HIM IN THE PAST...
BUT I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT.
AND THAT HAS ME ON EDGE.
...BECAUSE HE SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO 'OWE' ME.

...
WHAT'S KUNIYASU GOT TO DO WITH ANYTHING?
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN BETWEEN YOU AND KUNIYASU?
LOOK, I'M SORRY.
UM!
THE TRUTH IS...

YOU MUST'VE HAD A LOT TO TALK ABOUT.
ACTUALLY, IT WAS JUST THE OPPOSITE.
HE SEEMS
OH.
SO YOU WERE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS WITH HARUTA.

OKAY, IT BOTHERS YOU
THAT'S WRITTEN ALL OVER YOUR FACE
OH, NANA!
HE WAS ONLY TEASING ME
HEY, THE BUS IS HERE!
KUNIYASU SAID THE SAME THING
I THOUGHT YOU HAD SOMETHING GOING WITH KUNIYASU.
BUT I'M A LITTLE BIT RELIEVED
I KNOW.
EVEN I'VE COME TO REALIZE
...THAT HE CAN BE QUITE A PROBLEM
DSSH
What? That jerk!
THIS MAY BE NONE OF MY BUSINESS..
...BUT, DESPITE HIS LOOKS KUNIYASU IS TROUBLE

...IS FULL OF THOUGHTS OF HARUTA, EH?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
AND MEAN-WHILE...
MIMORI... YOUR HEAD...
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, OKAY?
I JUST DON'T LIKE NOT KNOWING WHY HE HATES ME!
YOU'RE NOT OWNING UP!
DON'T WORRY, MIMORI I'M YOUR ALLY
THAT'S ALL IN THE PAST
I'M SURE HARUTA WILL GET OVER IT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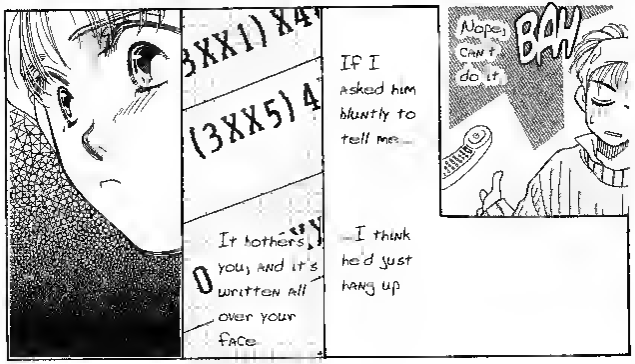
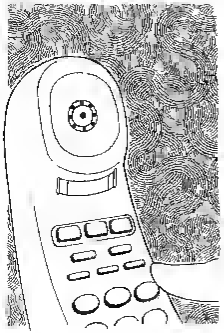
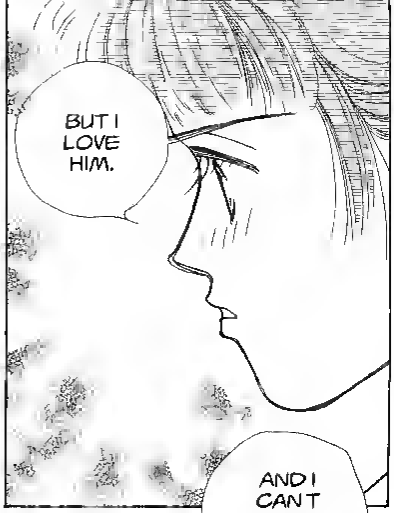
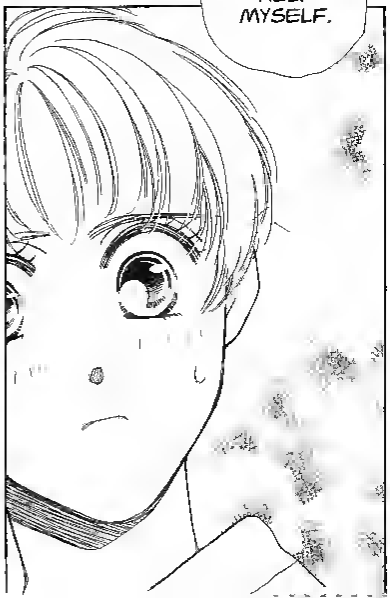

If I asked him bluntly to tell me...
...I think he'd just hang up
It bothers you, and it's written all over your face.
Nope, can't do it.
BAM

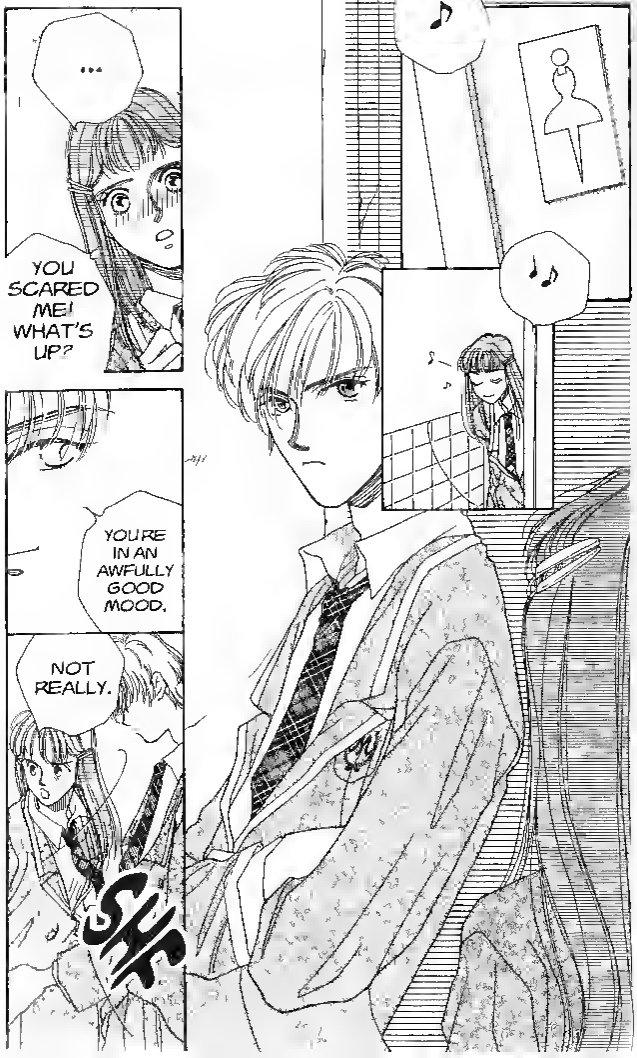



BUT I LOVE HIM.


AND I CAN'T HELP MYSELF.

NANA!
LET'S STOP SOMEWHERE FOR A BITE ON THE WAY HOME!
YOU KNOW THAT GAME CENTER? LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER.
PLEASE!
COME WITH US, MINORI!
I'M NOT IN THE MOOD
LET'S GO, NANA.
NANA!
OH, COME ON...
HE SAVED US ALL A LOT OF TROUBLE...
LET'S PAY HARUTA A VISIT, SINCE HE'S ON SUSPENSION.
WELL, THEN...

WHEN YOU'VE COPIED THE RECIPE ON THE BOARD...
WRITE A LIST OF WHO WILL PREPARE WHAT AND TURN IT IN
GRR! WHAT A PAIN!
RECIPE
SERVES 4)
(CANNED)
SMALL CA
STOCK
1 OF SALT AND PEPPE
1) OVER MEDIUM HEA
For three days...
...he'll be gone.

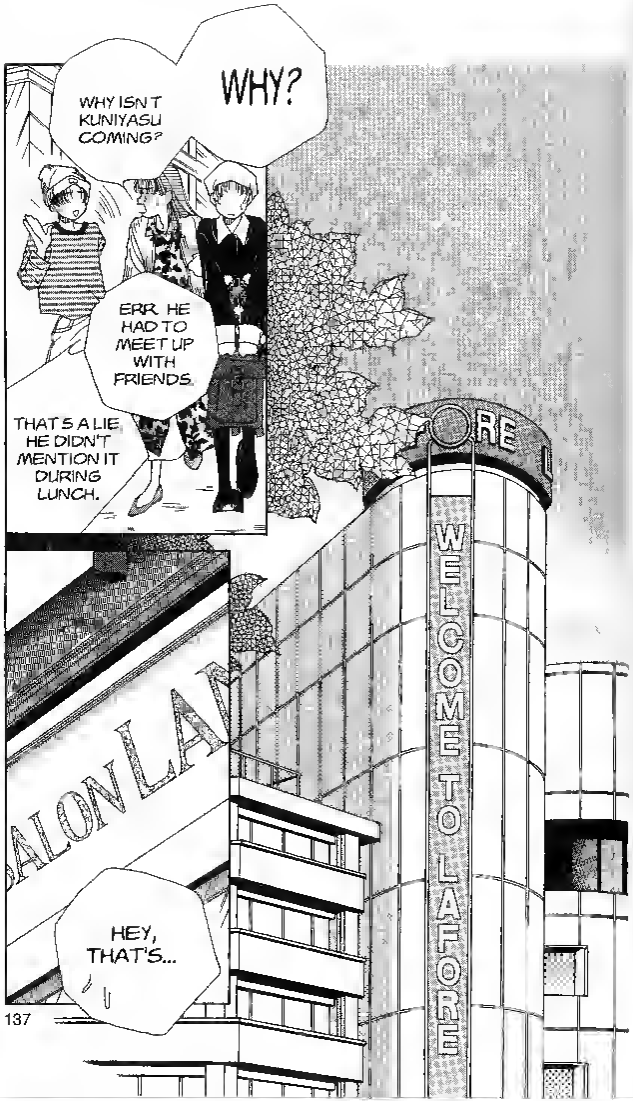

...
YOU SCARED ME! WHAT'S UP?
YOU'RE IN AN AWFULLY GOOD MOOD.
NOT REALLY.
SHE

WEEK!
ASK HIM ONE MORE TIME
WHY HE'S ANGRY WITH YOU.
Visit him?
No way!
IT'S DECIDED! AFTER SCHOOL, RIGHT?
NANA!
IS IT OKAY WITH YOU, SHINGYOJI?

Why're you so embarrassed? You!
I SEE
SURE! I'LL GO ANYWHERE NANA GOES.
KUNIYASU, YOU SHOULD COME TOO.

...ALL RIGHT?
PEAN
SHUDDER
"Mimori and Haruta... are childhood friends"

WAP
WELL..
IT'S SORT OF HARD TO EXPLAIN.
THIS IS ABOUT A DEAR FRIEND.
K-KUNIYASU?!
SO TELL ME..
WHY'D YOU SUDDENLY SUGGEST GOING TO SEE HARUTA?
WHAT'S GOING ON BETWEEN HARUTA AND KOSAKA?


WHY?
WHY ISN'T KUNIYASU COMING?
ERR. HE HAD TO MEET UP WITH FRIENDS.
THAT'S A LIE. HE DIDN'T MENTION IT DURING LUNCH.
WELCOME TO LATORE
HEY, THAT'S...

"But I think..."
"...Mimori likes Haruta"

DON'T COME AROUND.
YOU HAVE NO BUSINESS HERE.
GRR
Yeesh! I can't look him in the eye!
HMPH! I DIDN'T WANT TO COME ANY—
MOM!
OH, ARE YOU...
...ATSUSHI'S FRIENDS?

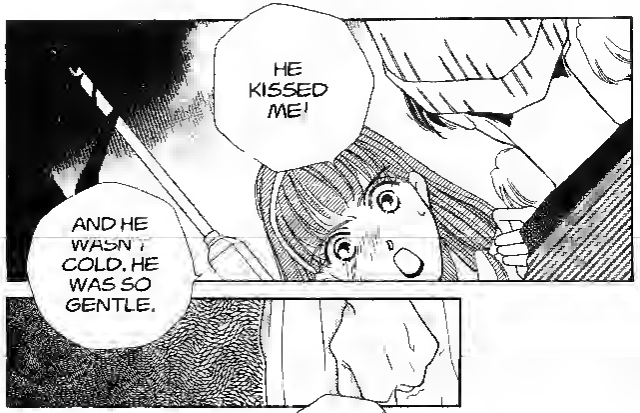
LOOK! HARUTA'S WORKING!
W-WHAT RE YOU DOING HERE?
WHY'RE YOU HERE?
MIMORI WAS, Y'KNOW, WORRIED ABOUT YOU,
JUST WANTED TO SAY HELLO.
NANA!
GA-DUMP
WOW...

QUIT TALKING SO MUCH!
OH, I'M JUST VISITING WITH THEM
MOM!
ALL RIGHT WELL, EVERYONE, PLEASE STAY AND ENJOY.
BE-TAP
I'M COMING, TOO.
NOOO!
SHOW HIM YOUR NOTES FROM HOME EC. TWO DAYS' WORTH.
NANA...
SEE YA!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
I-I MUST BE GOING, TOO.
PLEASE WALK ME HOME, RAN.
GLADLY!

I'M SO PLEASED TO MEET YOU.
I'M GLAD I CAME HOME EARLY.
THIS IS THE FIRS TIME...
HAHAHAHA... IT'S NOTHING.
BUT THERE ARE OTHERS YOU KNOW THE GANG MEMBERS.
...FROM GRADE SCHOOL!
YOU'RE MIMORI...
GET BACK TO THE SHOP! HURRY!
SO YOU'RE HIS HIGH SCHOOL CLASSMATE, TOO. HE DIDN'T SAY A WORD...
MOM!
...ATSUSHI HAS HAD SCHOOL FRIENDS OVER.

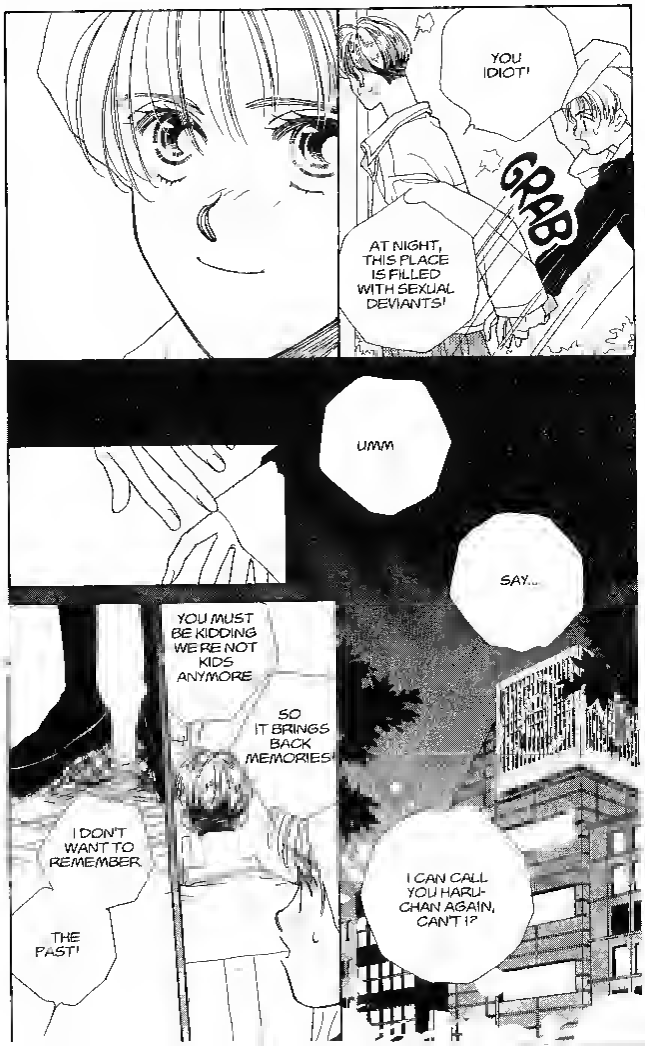
C'MON, CALL ME RAN
TAKE ME TO THE PLACES KUNIYASU GOES WITH HIS FRIENDS
DOES HE GO TO ANY CLUBS IN ROPPONGI? ARE THEY NEARBY?
ARE THERE LOTS OF GIRLS THERE?
HE'S A GREAT FRIEND TO ME
AND HE'S POPULAR WITH THE GIRLS SO IT'S HARD TO BLAME HIM
BUT... HOW CAN I SAY THIS? HE'S BAD NEWS...
HE KISSED ME!
UM...
NANA...
YOU'D BETTER FORGET ABOUT KAZUKITA
SO... ARE THOSE TWO AN ITEM?
I DIDN'T HAVE A CLUE. HMM... I'D BETTER TELL KAZUKITA.
SHINGYOJI-KUN...

YOU'RE SO SLOW! WALK FASTER, CAN'T YOU?
YOU'RE SUCH A BOOR! FORGET IT DON'T WALK WITH ME.
THE STATION'S CLOSE ENOUGH.
WHAP
OH, I'M SORRY!
OH, YOU HAVE A BOY FRIEND
COME ON I WAS JUST JOKING
SHOVE
HEY, GIRL, YOU ALL ALONE?


HE KISSED ME!
AND HE WASN'T COLD. HE WAS SO GENTLE.

A KISS TO KAZUKITA IS..
FOR HIM, IT'S NOTHING.
OWWEE!
I HATE YOU!

He's
BUT, HARU CHAN, DID I...
...REALLY DO SOMETHING THAT TERRIBLE?
I JUST DON'T RECALL.
THEN TELL ME! I DON'T REMEMBER!
YOU DID! YOU.
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING...
YOU WERE SO KIND TO ME, AND...
YOU DID!
He's right.
I'm being insensitive.


YOU IDIOT!
GRAB
AT NIGHT, THIS PLACE IS FILLED WITH SEXUAL DEVIANTS!
UMM
SAY...
YOU MUST BE KIDDING WE'RE NOT KIDS ANYMORE
SO IT BRINGS BACK MEMORIES!
I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER THE PAST!
I CAN CALL YOU HARU-CHAN AGAIN, CAN'T I?

OF COURSE NOT!
I...
I..
I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT OF HER..
I HEAR YOU TWO ARE CHILD-HOOD FRIENDS
DON'T LIE, HARUTA..
..WAS YOUR BOYFRIEND, AFTER ALL..

..AS PUSHY AND MEDDLING!
I HATE HER!

YOU TWO'RE AWFULLY CHUMMY.
KUNIYASU!
I HEARD YOU LIVED IN AOYAMA, HARUTA
BUT IMAGINE MEETING YOU LIKE THIS..
WHO RE THEY? FRIENDS?
YEAH. GO ON AHEAD, I'LL CATCH UP.
YOU STAYED SO LATE
SO YOU'VE BEEN HANGING OUT IN CLUBS?
WHERE'S RAN AND THE OTHER GIRL?

...CAN I...
GRAB
...START SEEING HER?
TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 2!

Something's wrong with me.
I knew...
Why do I...
feel...
So..
So why?
I knew...
I knew that Haru-chan hated me...
He was...
...here, too.
OH. WELL, IN THAT CASE..
AHA